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PRESIDENT MAURSTAD PRESIDING

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Good morning. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber for the seventy-fourth day of the Ninety-Seventh Legislature, First Session. Our chaplain this morning is Reverend Edgar Schambach, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Sidney, Senator Erdman's district. Reverend.

REVEREND SCHAMBACH: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you. We will call the Legislature to order. Members, would you please record your presence. Mr. Clerk, please record.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Are there corrections for the Journal?

CLERK: (Read corrections, Legislative Journal page 1735.) That's the only correction I have, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Any messages, reports, or announcements?

CLERK: Mr. President, I have neither messages, reports, nor announcements this morning.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. We will move to the first item on the agenda.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have six different reports this morning from Health and Human Services Committee. The first report, Senator Jensen,...the one I have in front of me is three appointments to the Nebraska Healthcare Council.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Jensen, you're recognized to open.

SENATOR JENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor. Good morning, members of the Legislature. We will actually have ten names, and we will...it will require six motions, because these